

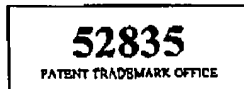
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### REMARKS

Claim 4 has been amended. Claims 1-2 and 4-5 remain pending.  
Reconsideration of the application is requested.

The Examiner objected to claim 4 as being dependent on a cancelled claim. The dependency has been corrected.

In view of the above, early issuance of a notice of allowance is solicited. Any questions regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned attorney, Curtis B. Hamre, Reg. No. 29,165 at (612) 455-3802.



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